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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In the application of:

Russell A. HOUSER et al.

Serial No.: 09/721,158

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For: POSITIONING SYSTEMS FOR  
SUTURELESS ANASTOMOSIS  
SYSTEMS (AS AMENDED)

Examiner: Z. Bui

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits, please consider the following amendments and  
remarks.

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